

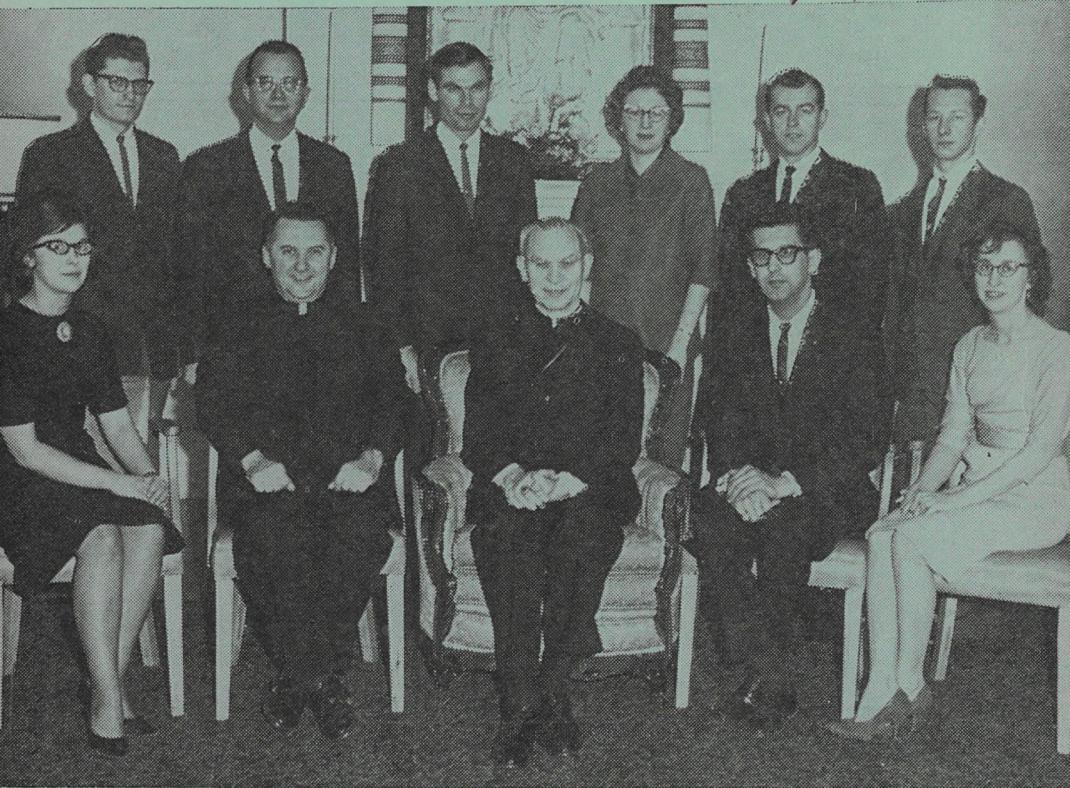
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## National Executive of the Ukrainian Catholic Youth of Canada

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## A. GENERAL INFORMATION

### I. Name

The name of the society shall be the Ukrainian Catholic Youth of Canada.

### II. Emblem

The emblem shall be the Coat of Arms of Ukraine with a cross, upon a maple leaf.

### III. Patron Saint

The patron saint of the society shall be Saint Michael, the Archangel.

### IV. Motto

"Always faithful and united for God and Country."

### V. Pledge

"In joining the "Ukrainian Catholic Youth" organization I hereby pledge:

- My faithfulness to almighty God.
- My loyalty to the Catholic Church in Ukrainian Rite by respecting her authority, attending Holy Mass regularly and receiving the Sacraments.
- My loyalty to My Country.
- To promote Ukrainian Culture and traditions for the good of Canada.
- To abide by each and every law of the Society.
- To promote love, understanding and co-operation."

Note: Pledge to be printed on back of membership cards.

### VI Objects

1. To organize and centralize the Ukrainian Catholic Youth of Canada that is, to create in each Ukrainian Catholic parish in Canada a unit of the society and to give it unified leadership.
2. To develop Ukrainian Catholic Youth into practical Catholics and good citizens of Canada,

conscious of their cultural heritage.

### VII. Means for Realizing the Objects

1. Catholic faith and Ukrainian rite.
2. Ukrainian culture and tradition.
3. Canadian democratic citizenship.

### VIII. Membership

1. Ukrainian boys and girls, fourteen years of age and older, who are practical Catholics, shall be eligible for membership in the society.
2. Young married people, if they so desire, may remain members of the society for a period not exceeding five years.
3. Applicants for membership must be recommended in writing by the parish priest or by two members in good standing. Official application forms must be used as supplied by the National Executive. These shall be retained by the local unit.
4. The National Executive shall supply each Diocesan Executive with annual membership supplies according to its needs by not later than September 1st of each year. These shall be distributed by the Diocesan Executive to the local units within the diocese. Every October each local shall request their supply of new membership supplies from the Diocesan Executive by submitting the annual report entitled "Local Report to Diocesan Executive".
5. Membership supplies shall include:
  - a) Constitutions;
  - b) Buttons;
  - c) Membership cards - these shall be of common stiff paper for identification pur-

poses and shall be signed by National, Diocesan, and Local President.

6. It shall be the duty of every member to:

- aid in the growth of the society,
- abide by the constitution of the society,
- be present at all gatherings of the local unit,
- fulfill the obligations required by the executive or the meeting,
- pay membership dues regularly.

7. Every member shall have the right to:

- vote at the meeting of the local unit,
- be elected to the Local, Regional, Diocesan or National Executives,
- be elected delegate to the Regional, Diocesan or National Conventions.

8. Loss of membership rights and privileges shall follow when a member:

- willfully refuses to perform duties delegated to him or her, whether by the meeting or the executive,
- through word or deed causes dissension in the society or in any manner harms the society,
- without reason, does not appear at three consecutive meetings of the local unit,
- fails to pay regular membership dues within time designated by the local unit.

9. Executives of the local unit shall decide on admission of candidates and expulsion of undesirable members. An expelled member shall have the right to appeal to the Diocesan Executive and shall submit to its decision.

10. Only members of good stand-

ing, that is, members of a local unit, who pay regular fees and carry out all their membership duties, may be elected to any executive office.

11. Accepting candidate shall take the pledge of the organization on St. Michael's Day.

## B. ADMINISTRATION

### I. EXECUTIVES

#### A. National

The National Executive shall be the supreme governing authority of the Ukrainian Catholic Youth of Canada responsible to the directives of the National Convention and to the Honorary President of the Society.

- (a) The National Executive shall be elected at the National Convention and shall consist of:
  - 1. Honorary Presidents
  - 2. Spiritual Director
  - 3. President
  - 4. Vice-President
  - 5. Secretary
  - 6. Treasurer
  - 7. Fifth Member
  - 8. Publicity & Press Chairman
  - 9. Cultural Chairman
- (b) The U.C.Y. Diocesan Presidents shall form an Advisory Board for the National Executive of the society.
- (c) "Youth" Magazine Editor shall be appointed by the current National Executive and approved by the Bishop of the Diocese in which the magazine is published.
- (d) Duties of Officers of the National Executive.
  1. The Honorary Presidents shall be Bishops Ordinary of the Ukrainian Catholic Church of Canada.
  2. The Spiritual Director shall:
    - be a Ukrainian Catholic priest

appointed by the Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Diocese in which the National Executive is located,

- perform such duties as prescribed to him by the Honorary Presidents,
- guide the members of the National Executive.

3. The President shall:

- call and conduct meetings of the National Executive at least once a month,
- attend all Diocesan Conventions in person or through a representative,
- transact all financial business of the National Executive together with the Treasurer, upon the approval of the National Executive.
- require the approval of the majority and the Spiritual Director for transaction of all business of the executive,
- delegate additional responsibilities as they arise to members of the National Executive,
- consult with the Advisory Board in matters of policy.

4. The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in the latter's absence.

5. The Secretary shall:

- keep records of all activities of the National Executive,
- conduct all necessary correspondence,
- keep an annual register of all local units,
- at the termination of office, prepare a report of the activities of the National Executive for distribution to all locals by the Diocesan Executives ,at least one month prior to the National Convention; this report also to be presented at the National Convention.

—send copy of minutes to all Diocesan Executives.

6. The Treasurer shall:

- keep a record of income and expenditure,
- keep a book of membership fees, collect membership fees from the Diocesan Executives for each member of the organization.
- at the termination of office, prepare a financial report for distribution to all locals by Diocesan Executives at least one month prior to the National Convention; this report also to be presented at the National Convention,
- apply his signature with that of the President to financial transaction of the organization.

7. The Fifth Member shall substitute for the Secretary or Treasurer when necessary.

8. The Publicity and Press Chairman shall:

- contribute periodically a report of the activities of the National Executive to the "Youth" magazine.
- take care of any publicity required by the National Executive, follow the attitude of the Ukrainian Press by reading the various publications received by the Ukrainian Catholic Council of Canada.
- keep a record of all publicity concerning the organization,
- foster articles on the activities of the various Diocesan U.C.Y.'s through active contact with Diocesan Press and Publicity Chairmen.

9. The Cultural Chairman shall:

- supply the Diocesan Executives with information on highlights

of Ukrainian and Canadian History which merit special commemorations.

—serve as the representative to the Ukrainian Catholic Council of Canada on matters of National Cultural activities.

10. The Advisory Board or any member thereof shall be free to examine at any time the financial records and statements of the National Executive and give a report thereon to the National Convention.

11. General duties of the National Executive:

- to speak in the name of the Ukrainian Catholic Youth of Canada.
- to organize and call the National Convention upon notification by the Ukrainian Catholic Council of Canada and when deemed necessary and upon approval of the Church Hierarchy.
- to evolve a general plan of activities for the organization in accordance with the requirements of its constitution.
- to conduct propaganda organizationally through the press.
- to publish and distribute literature such as pamphlets and articles for the benefit of the organization.
- to ensure a sufficient supply of membership cards, constitutions and identification buttons for distribution to members through the medium of Diocesan Executives.
- to organize leadership courses for the members of the society.
- to encourage the progress and development of the society together with the Diocesan Executives.

—to undertake any other responsibilities that may arise and develop them for the benefit of the society.

—to co-operate with other Ukrainian Catholic National Executives.

—to establish and maintain a contact with similar organizations on a national and international scale.

(e) Duties of the "Youth" magazine staff:

1. The "Youth" magazine editor shall:
  - edit the "Youth" magazine.
  - be responsible in conjunction with the National Executive for the editorial or content policy of the "Youth" magazine.
  - be responsible to the National Executive for the financial transactions of the magazine.

B. DIOCESAN

The Diocesan Executive shall be the governing authority of the Ukrainian Catholic Youth within its Diocese and shall be responsible to the Bishop Ordinary of its Diocese and to the National Executive of the society.

(a) The Diocesan Executive shall be elected at the Diocesan Convention and shall consist of:

1. Honorary President
2. Spiritual Director
3. President
4. Vice-President
5. Recording Secretary
6. Corresponding Secretary
7. Treasurer
8. Fifth Member
9. Publicity and Press Chairman
10. Three auditors
11. Spiritual Chairman

12. Organizational Chairman
13. Social & Sports Chairman
14. Educational-Cultural Chairman

(b) Duties of the officers of the Diocesan Executive.

1. The Honorary President shall be the Bishop Ordinary of the Ukrainian Catholics of the Diocese.
2. The Spiritual Director shall be a Ukrainian Catholic priest appointed by the Bishop of his Diocese and shall:
  - performe such duties as shall be delegated to him by the Honorary President.
  - guide the members of the Diocesan Executive.
3. The President shall:
  - organize, call and preside at all meetings of the Diocesan Executive at least once a month and conduct them in accordance with parliamentary rules,
  - together with the Secretary, attend the meetings of the Diocesan Executive of the Ukrainian Catholic Council,
  - attend the National and Regional Conventions in person or through a representative,
  - together with the Treasurer, upon approval of the Diocesan Executive, transact all financial business of the executive,
  - have the approval of a majority of the executive, including the Spiritual Director, for transaction of all business of the executive,
  - delegate additional responsibilities, as they arise, to members of the Diocesan Executive.
  - cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie on any question being voted on at executive meetings,
  - as chief representative of the society within the Diocese, act

to the best of his ability in protecting and furthering the interests of the society.

4. The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in the latter's absence.
5. The Recording Secretary shall:
  - keep a record of all meetings, rallies and conventions of the Diocesan Executive,
  - in conjunction with the corresponding secretary, prepare and distribute to the National and Local Executives reports of the Diocesan Rally and Diocesan Convention within one month of the said rally or convention.
  - send copy of minutes to the National Office.
6. The Corresponding Secretary shall:
  - handle all Diocesan correspondence,
  - keep files of all members of the society in the Diocese,
  - transmit the list of paid up members and their addresses, together with their subscriptions to the "Youth" magazine editor.
7. The Treasurer shall:
  - keep and record all income and expenditure of the Diocesan Executive,
  - together with the President, upon the approval of the Diocesan Executive, transact all financial business of the Diocesan Executive,
  - keep a record of all fees submitted to the Diocesan Executive by the locals,
  - upon receipt of any fees from the locals within the Diocese forward 75 cents from each fee to the National Executive and \$1.50 to the editor of the

"Youth" magazine. (Refer to: Finance, Section III).

- compile a financial report, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the National Executive and each of the locals in the Diocese within one month of the termination of office.
- apply his signature with that of the President to financial transaction of the organization.
- 8. The Fifth Member shall substitute for the Secretary or Treasurer when necessary.
- 9. The Publicity and Press Chairman shall:
  - work in co-operation with the Ukrainian Catholic Diocesan publications,
  - contribute periodically a report of the Diocesan Executive to the "Youth" magazine.
  - take care of any publicity required by the Diocesan Executive upon approval by the Spiritual Director and the Diocesan President,
  - keep a record of all publicity concerning the executive and the society as a whole,
  - foster and co-ordinate annual reports on the activities of the various locals within the Diocese for publication in the "Youth" magazine and the specific Diocesan Ukrainian Catholic newspaper.
- 10. The Auditors shall be free to examine at any time financial records and statements of the Diocesan Executive and give a report thereon to the Diocesan Convention.
- 11. Spiritual, Organization, Social and Sports, Educational - Cultural Chairmen.

The duties of the four Chairmen shall be mainly research in their particular field. Each shall prepare

a proposed Programme of Activities for their term of office which shall be enforced with the assistance of the entire Diocesan Executive.

(c) General Duties of the Diocesan Executive:

- To speak in the name of the Ukrainian Catholic Youth of the Diocese.
- To ensure an organized and unified Ukrainian Catholic Youth society within its Diocese.
- To ensure the prompt and efficient fulfilment of the stipulations of the Ukrainian Catholic Youth constitution in every local unit within its jurisdiction.
- To aid the Regional Executives in establishing local units in every parish within the Diocese.
- To reorganize the Diocese into efficiently grouped regions and sub-regions where necessary.
- To meet with Regional Presidents and Secretaries at least twice a year, in addition to the Diocesan Convention and Rally.
- To establish a written and, where possible, personal contact with every Youth Spiritual Director in the Diocese.
- To prepare and distribute circulars, reports, and programs of activities to every local unit in the Diocese through the medium of Regional Executives, where possible.
- To obtain from the National Executive an adequate supply of membership cards, constitutions and identification buttons for distribution to local units.
- To encourage and promote increased reading and circulation of the Catholic Press.
- To collect dues of the organ-

- ization regularly and forward correct portions to National and Publication Headquarters.
- To organize and call the Diocesan Convention every two years.
- To have a close association with National Headquarters, supervising the Programme of Activities issued by the National Executive, following their directives implicitly.
- To work in close accord with the Diocesan Ukrainian Catholic Council.

### C. REGIONAL

The Regional Executive shall be the representative authority of the Ukrainian Catholic Youth within a region, the boundaries of which shall be suggested by the Diocesan Executive and be subject to approval by the Local Ordinary. It shall be responsible to the directives of its Diocesan Executive.

(a) The Regional Executive shall be composed of local Regional representatives. A slate of officers, as outlined for the Diocesan Executive, shall be elected by these representatives at the Regional Convention.

(b) Duties of Officers of the Regional Executive:

1. The Spiritual Director shall be a Ukrainian Catholic priest in the region, appointed by the Bishop of the Diocese, and shall act in an advisory capacity on the Regional Executive.
2. The President shall:
  - call and organize the meetings of the executive,
  - together with the Secretary, attend all Diocesan Conventions in person, or through an appointed representative,

- make annual visits to each local within the region where possible.
- together with the Treasurer, upon the approval of the Regional Executive, transact all financial business of the Regional Executive.

3. The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in the latter's absence.
4. The Recording Secretary shall:
  - keep a record of all meetings and conventions of the Regional Executive,
  - in conjunction with the Corresponding Secretary, prepare reports of the annual convention of the Regional Executive and distribute them to Diocesan and Local Executives, send copy of minutes to Diocesan Executive.
5. The Corresponding Secretary shall:
  - handle all Regional correspondence,
  - keep files of all members of the organization in the Region.
6. The Treasurer shall:
  - keep and record all income and expenditure of the Regional Executive,
  - compile a financial report at the end of office, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the Diocesan Executive and each of the locals within the region,
  - apply his signature with that of the President to financial transaction of the organization.
7. The Fifth Member shall substitute for the Secretary or Treasurer when necessary.
8. The Publicity and Press Chairman shall:
  - take care of all publicity re-

quired by the Regional Executive,

—be responsible for literary contributions to the "Youth" magazine and the Diocesan Ukrainian Catholic newspaper.

9. The Auditors shall audit the financial records and statements of the Executive and give a report thereon to the Regional Convention.

10. The Four Chairmen shall prepare a proposed Programme of Activities for their term of office which shall be enforced with the assistance of the entire Regional Executive.

(c) General Duties of the Regional Executive:

- To call and organize the Regional Convention with approval of Diocesan Executive.
- To administer and unify members of the society within a designated region through the medium of Spiritual, Educational and Social projects.
- To organize gatherings of all locals within the Region.

D. SUB-REGIONAL

(a) The Sub-Regional Executive shall act as an intermediary between Regional and Local units and shall provide an inter-local Programme of Activities.

(b) The Sub-Regional Executive shall consist of two representative from each parish or mission unit within an area serviced by a Ukrainian Catholic priest or missionary.

(c) Functions of a sub-Regional Executive:

- To elect a Chairman and Secretary at the first meeting called by the Spiritual Director immediately following elections

at locals concerned.

—To plan a combined Programme of Activities for the units for closer unity and co-operation.

—The Chairman shall represent the Sub-Regional at the Regional meetings.

E. LOCALS

The Local Executive shall be the governing authority of all Ukrainian Catholic Youth in a parish or mission, responsible to its Diocesan Executive. It shall also work in co-operation with its Regional Executive.

(a) The executive of the local unit shall be elected by the members at the annual meeting of the unit in the fall and shall consist of:

1. Spiritual Director
2. President
3. Vice-President
4. Secretary
5. Treasurer
6. Two Regional Representatives
7. Publicity and Press Chairman
8. Three Auditors
9. Fifth Member
10. Organizational Chairman
11. Spiritual Chairman
12. Educational -Cultural Chairman.
13. Social and Sports Chairman

(b) Duties of Officers of the Local Unit:

1. Spiritual Director of the local unit and its Honorary President, with all the rights and privileges of a member, shall be the priest in whose parish the unit is situated.
2. The President shall:
  - call to order and conduct all meetings of the local unit and of the Local Executive,
  - see to it that a Programme of Activities is implemented,

- take care of the growth and development of his unit,
- together with the Secretary, sign all documents of the unit,
- together with the Treasurer, upon approval of the executive members, transact all financial business of the unit.

3. The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in the latter's absence.

4. The Secretary shall:

- prepare an annual report to be read at the end of the term of office, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the Diocesan Executive,
- record minutes of the meetings of the unit and unit executive,
- conduct all necessary correspondence of the unit.

5. The Treasurer shall:

- keep income and expense books,
- keep record of unit members,
- collect the membership fees and remit the dues to the Diocesan Treasurer. (Refer to Section III).
- prepare an annual report at the end of term of office, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the Diocesan Executive,
- apply his signature with that of the President to financial transaction of the organization.

6. The Two Regional Representatives:

(a) (i) Urban: The Two Regional Representatives shall represent the local unit at the Regional Executive and shall attend all meetings of this Executive. They shall be eligible for election to the various executive positions of the Regional Convention.

(ii) Rural: The two representatives shall represent the local unit at the Sub-Regional meetings. Where there is no Sub-Regional

Executive, they shall represent their unit at the Regional. They shall also represent the local unit at the Regional Convention and shall be eligible for election to the Regional Executive.

(b) Duties of Representatives:

All representatives shall make a report of the unit's plans, activities, suggestions, difficulties, etc., to the Regional or Sub-Regional Executive. They shall also bring back a report of the Regional's or Sub-Regional's plans and activities to the local unit. As each representative shall have the privilege of holding a position on the Regional or Sub-Regional Executive, great care should be exercised in his or her election.

7. The Fifth Member shall substitute for the Secretary or Treasurer when necessary.

8. The Auditors shall audit the financial records and statements of the unit and give a report thereon to the annual meeting of the unit.

9. The Four Chairmen—The Chairman may be elected for the entire term of office or appointed by a meeting of the unit as occasion arises.

Duties of the Four Chairmen:

- Each Chairman shall implement a Programme of Activities planned by the Executive and shall submit a report to the unit following each event.
- Each Chairman shall be authorized to select a working committee.

10. The Publicity and Press Chairman shall:

- be responsible for literary contributions through the Diocesan Executive.

- take care of any publicity required by the Local Executive upon approval of the Spiritual Director and Local President,
- keep a record of all publicity concerning the unit.

(c) General Duties of a Local Executive:

- To hold a meeting at least once per month with the Spiritual Director, to plan activities and meetings of the unit and in particular to implement the directive of the Diocesan Executive.
- To ensure the holding of regular general meetings at least once per month.
- To ensure that both executive and general meetings are fully organized and planned well in advance.
- To strive for increased membership at all times.
- To train non-executive members for future leadership by delegating varied responsibilities during the term.
- To utilize potential leaders with a view to their becoming the unit's future presidents.
- To ensure an equal distribution of the various activities planned by the executive, and full coverage of spiritual activities, organizational (membership), educational - cultural, social and sports during their term of office.
- To ensure proper representation of the unit at all Ukrainian Catholic Conventions or gatherings where the general welfare of the organization is concerned.
- To guard and develop the growth of the unit at all times.
- To orientate and inform mem-

bers of matters pertaining to the society through the reading of circulars, bulletins and letters sent out by various executives.

## II. CONVENTIONS

### A. NATIONAL CONVENTION

1. The National Convention of the Society shall be called by the National Executive once every three years at a place and date designated by the Ukrainian Catholic Council of Canada and authorized by the Ukrainian Catholic Church Hierarchy.
2. Time, location and agenda of the Convention shall be published one month prior to the date of the Convention in the Ukrainian Catholic Press. Diocesan Executives shall be informed of the proposed Convention three months prior its date and shall inform society members within their Diocese immediately by official bulletin.
3. Every local unit shall have the right to send delegates to the Convention, carrying credentials signed by the Local Executive and shall inform the National Executive of their intention to do so a month before the Convention.
4. The following shall be present: the Bishop or his delegate, parish priests, members of executives of the society and members in good standing of the society. All present, with exception of the clergy, shall present proper credentials.
5. Delegates of local units shall sit in sections allocated to their respective Dioceses.
6. Voting Procedure:
  - (a) The right to vote shall be reserved for one delegate from each

Local Unit who shall cast one vote for every ten members in good standing of the unit. Where a membership shall total more than a unit of ten, six members or more shall warrant another vote for the unit. Where a unit has less than ten members it shall be entitled to one vote. A certified list of members and their fees shall be in the hands of the National Treasurer before the Convention to ensure the local the power to vote.

**Example of Voting Procedure.**

A local unit having 22 members is entitled to 2 votes.

A local unit having 26 members is entitled to 3 votes.

A local unit having 32 members is entitled to 3 votes.

A local unit having 36 members is entitled to 4 votes.

(b) Each Diocesan President, or his representative, shall act as the spokesman for his Diocese in voting matters. For every topic under discussion each Diocesan spokesman shall submit the total positive and negative votes for his Diocese. In the event of a deadlock, the Chairman shall cast the deciding vote.

(c) Local Units may delegate the power to vote to other Executives who shall present the aggregate opinions and votes they represent.

The delegates shall present credentials signifying the transfer of delegation and shall record their voting strength at registration. Where the local unit, due to its inability to send a representative, does not delegate the power to vote to other executive, the Diocesan President, or his representative shall automatically assume the transfer of delegation on its behalf.

(d) Constitutional amendments shall require a two-thirds majority. Delegates attending the Convention

In all other questions a simple majority shall be required.

7. The agenda of the Convention shall be prepared by the National Executive together with the Diocesan Executive concerned and shall centre about a selected theme.

The agenda shall consist of two parts:

(i) Organizational:

(a) Registration

(b) Formal Opening:

1. Election of Chairman and Secretaries.

2. Chairman's Remarks.

3. Delegate's Greetings.

(c) Adoption of the Agenda of sessions:

(d) Reports:

1. The four major Diocesan reports.

2. The National General and Financial reports.

3. Other reports as required - The Youth publication, etc.

(e) Discussion of items requiring a vote - general discussion.

(f) Election of new National Executive (Refer to Part IV Convention Committees).

(g) Resolutions (Refer to Part IV - Convention Committees).

(h) Closing Remarks.

(ii) General:

This section shall include the major addresses to the sessions, the social events planned and the items planned by the National and/or Diocesan Ukrainian Catholic Councils.

8. Upon completion of the National Convention, the outgoing National Executive shall submit a complete report thereof to each Diocesan Executive.

9. The expenses of the official de-

shall be paid by their local units or the respective executive concerned.

#### B. DIOCESAN CONVENTION

1. Each Diocesan Executive shall call a Diocesan Convention every two years at a place and date designated by the Ukrainian Catholic Council of the Diocese.
2. Regional and Local units shall be informed of the time, location and agenda of the Convention through an official bulletin two months prior to the Convention date. Announcements shall appear in the Ukrainian Catholic Press two weeks prior to its date and in the local press one week prior to the date.
3. Every local unit shall have the right to send delegates to the Convention carrying credentials signed by the Local Executive and shall inform the Diocesan Executive of their intention to do so a month before the Convention.
4. It shall be the duty of every local unit to encourage as many members as possible to attend the Convention.
5. The following shall be present: The Bishop or his delegate, parish priests, Diocesan, Regional, Sub-Regional and Local Executive members, and other members in good standing. All present with the exception of the clergy, shall present their proper credentials.
6. (a) The right to vote shall be as outlined in Section A No. 6 (a) of the Convention section.  
A certified list of members and their fees shall be in the hands of the Diocesan Treasurer before the Convention to ensure the local the power to vote.  
(b) The power to vote may be delegated to a representative who

shall vote in accordance with the unit's representation.

7. The Diocesan Convention shall be prepared by the Diocesan Executive and shall consist of two parts:

1. Organizational
2. General

It shall adapt the procedure outlined for the National Convention agenda.

8. Upon completion of the Diocesan Convention, the outgoing Diocesan Executive shall submit a complete report thereof to the National Executive and each Local Executive within the Diocese.

9. The Local Units shall pay the Convention expenses of official delegates.

#### C. DIOCESAN RALLY

1. The Diocesan Executive shall call a Diocesan Rally at the end of their first year of term of office, at a regional centre other than the locality wherein the Diocesan Executive is located.
2. The local units shall receive notification through official circular of date, place and agenda, a month prior to the Rally. Announcements shall also appear in the press before the Rally.
3. Each local unit shall have the right to send two official delegates who shall present the unit's report. All members of good standing shall plan to attend the Rally if possible.
4. The agenda of the Rally shall be planned by the Diocesan Executive, together with the regional and local executives concerned, and shall consist of the following activities.

(a) Organizational:  
—registration,  
—local greetings and reports,  
—discussions of current problems of the society,  
—proposed plan of action.

(b) Spiritual:  
—Communion Breakfast,  
—church services.

(c) Cultural:  
—speakers,  
—concert,  
—displays.

(d) Social:  
—dances,  
—games,  
—refreshments.

5. The expenses of the official delegates to the Rally shall be paid by the local unit.

**D. REGIONAL CONVENTION**

1. The annual Regional Convention shall be called by the Regional Executive following all local elections within the Region designated to the Regional Executive.

2. The Diocesan Executive and local units shall be officially notified of the Convention six weeks prior to the date. Publicity notices shall be submitted to the Ukrainian Catholic Press two weeks in advance and one week in the local press.

3. Each local unit shall send their two newly-elected Regional Representatives as delegates to the the Convention, with signed credentials.

4. All local members in good standing shall be obligated to attend the Regional Convention and participate in discussions, but the rights to vote shall be reserved for the delegates.

5. The Convention agenda shall be planned by the Regional Executive and shall consist of two parts:

(a) Organizational:  
(i) Registration of delegates and guests.  
(ii) Reports of Regional Executive and locals.  
(iii) General problems requiring discussion and vote.  
(iv) Elections - Report from Nominating Committee (refer to Part IV - Convention Committees).  
(v) Plan of action and resolutions (refer to Part IV - Convention Committees).

(b) General:  
(i) Appropriate addresses and social activity.

6. Upon completion of the Regional Convention, the outgoing Regional Executive shall submit a complete report thereof to the Diocesan Executive and each Local Executive within the Regional.

**III. FINANCES**

**A. FEES**

1. (a) The membership fee shall be \$3.00 per year.  
(b) Upon full payment of the fee a new member shall receive:  
(i) a copy of the Constitution of the Society.  
(ii) a membership card.  
(iii) One year's subscription to the official publication 'Youth' of the Society.  
(c) Distribution of the fee:  
(i) \$1.50 to the "Youth" publication headquarters.  
(ii) \$1.50 Administration  
75c National  
25c Diocesan  
50c Retained by Local

2. (a) Membership renewal shall be \$3.00 per year.
- (b) Upon full payment of the renewal fee a member shall receive:
  - (i) A renewal of his subscription to the Youth.
  - (ii) A membership card.
- (c) Distribution of the renewal fee:
  - (i) \$1.50 to "Youth" publication headquarters.
  - (ii) \$1.50 Administration as outlined above.

3. Where several members of one family are members of the society, one subscription to the Youth may suffice for these members.

## B. RECORDS

In addition to other income and expenditure the Treasurer of every executive in the society shall keep a separate record of fees. (For transmission of fees see: Duties Local Treasurer and Diocesan Treasurer).

## C. REPORTS

The financial report shall contain an itemized record of income and expenditure and a summary of membership.

Both the National and Diocesan Executives shall have the right to decide what officials of these two executives may be salaried and the amount of such salaries.

## IV. ACTIVITIES

### A. MEETINGS

1. All meetings of the society shall begin and end with prayer.
2. All meetings of the society shall be conducted according to a carefully planned agenda.

3. All executives of the society shall hold a meeting at least once every month.
4. General meetings of local units shall be held at least once every month.
5. General meetings of local units shall have three sections to their agenda:
  - (a) Business: Minutes, reports, reading of circulars, publicity, letters, proposed activities, etc.
  - (b) Cultural - Spiritual: Speakers and reading articles of interest, etc.
  - (c) Social: Refreshments, games, singing, dancing, etc.
6. No meetings of the society shall have any authority unless a quorum is present. A quorum shall consist of half the membership plus one. If a quorum is not present, the item under consideration is tabled and all members are notified as to when the next meeting will be held at which that item which was tabled shall be considered. At this meeting the quorum shall consist of the membership present.

## B. PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

1. Every local unit shall make an annual financial contribution to the parish treasury.
2. All members of the society, on a National-wide scale, shall take Holy Communion for the intention of the society and attend a Communion Breakfast sponsored by some administrative branch of the society on the Sunday closest to the feast day of the Society's patron, St. Michael the Archangel.
3. The members of the society shall work in close co-operation with

the elders of the parish and the church hierarchy, supporting all parochial activities as the church choir ,etc., and all Ukrainian Catholic activities as concerts, meetings, rallies, etc.

4. The local unit shall submit a plan of activities at least a month in advance to the Sub-Regional Executive, so that changes can be made to avoid concurrence of activities.
5. All executives shall work in co-operation with each other, with the higher governing authority casting the decisive vote in cases of disagreement.
6. Each local unit shall sponsor one annual function whose proceeds shall go to the National and Diocesan Executives.

#### C. CONVENTION COMMITTEES

These committees shall be appointed from the floor for National, Diocesan and Regional Conventions and shall consist of equal representation. The chairman shall be elected by the members of the committee.

1. The Resolutions Committee shall:
  - prepare a slate of resolutions for presentation to the Convention floor,
  - prepare the resolutions in accordance with the trends of the Convention and the duties of the executive concerned,
  - the Convention shall have the right to reject, accept and add to the slate.
2. The Nominating Committee shall:
  - draw up a proposed slate of officers for presentation to the Convention floor,
  - propose only one name for each office,

—obtain the acceptance for office by all persons concerned,  
—the Convention shall have the right to nominate other persons for any office on the executive, whereupon the delegates shall elect one person.

Note: The Nominating Committee may also be used by local units.

#### V. PRESS

1. The official organ of the society shall be the Youth Magazine.
2. A general report shall be submitted by the staff of the publication at the National Convention.
3. The National Convention shall rule in which Diocese the magazine shall be published. An editor-in-chief and an editorial staff shall be recommended by the Diocesan executive concerned and shall be responsible to the National Executive.
4. The National Convention may assess each Diocesan U.C.Y. for publication purposes, according to its membership.

#### VI. RESIGNATIONS

1. A member of any executive of the society shall give a 30-day written notice of his intentions to resign to the President of the respective executive. In cases of the resignation of the President, he shall submit his notice to the Spiritual Director.
2. The resignation is to be acted upon at the next immediate meeting of the executive and upon its acceptance, the resignation shall be acknowledged by official letter and confirmed at the end of 30 days as an official resignation.
3. In cases where a resignation is of

an immediate nature or upon the death of an executive member, a special meeting shall be held of the executive concerned at which plans shall be made for an immediate appointment.

4. Upon official acceptance of the resignation of a Local Regional or Sub-Regional President, the respective executive shall inform the Diocesan Executive not later than seven days later the thirty-day notice has expired, stating reasons for the resignation.
5. In cases of a resignation of a Diocesan President, the Spiritual Director shall consult with his Bishop. The National Executive shall be informed immediately upon receipt of the President's resignation notice stating reasons for the action. The National Executive shall also be informed of the final results.
6. In the case of a National President's resignation, the Spiritual Director shall consult with the Bishop.
7. In the event of the resignation of any member of a National, Diocesan, or Regional Executive, an appointment shall be made with the approval of the Honorary President, Spiritual Director and a majority of the executive concerned.
8. In the event of the resignation in a Local Executive, a re-election shall be held at a general meeting immediately after the resignation has been officially accepted.

## VII. AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to the constitution shall be effected by the National Executive only. Suggestions towards amending any points in the

constitution shall be forwarded by the Diocesan Executive to National Headquarters for consideration. In all instances, final official approval shall be given by a National Convention.

2. An amendment shall become binding before a National Convention after all Diocesan Honorary Presidents approve the statement and it is issued by bulletin from National Headquarters. Ratification of such an amendment shall be made by the next immediate National Convention.
3. Should a proposed organizational matter require a trial period to prove its effectiveness, a temporary amendment concerning the proposal may be effected by the National Executive in consultation with the Honorary President.
4. Such an amendment shall go through its trial period within the Diocese where it originated. Consideration shall be given towards its permanency upon submission of reports from the originators proving its effectiveness. Upon approval by the National Convention, it may become binding for the society as a whole.
5. No member shall be allowed to hold the same executive position elected for, for more than two consecutive terms. This applies to all members throughout the National Ukrainian Catholic Youth Organization.

## VIII. DISSOLUTION

In case of dissolution of the society, or any section of it, all assets and records shall go to the educational institutions of the Ukrainian Catholic Church of Canada.



